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CERB conditionally approved state loan and grant investments for the Ports of Pend Oreille, Garfield, and Quincy and for Grays Harbor County economic development infrastructure projects totaling \$1,750,000. CERB approved the projects contingent upon new capital budget funds and other projected revenues becoming available. Currently, expenditures of CERB's new capital budget appropriation are frozen while the state explores options for addressing a major projected revenue shortfall.

PORT OF PEND OREILLE

The Port of Pend Oreille, in Pend Oreille County, received conditional approval of a \$75,000 general obligation loan and a \$75,000 grant for construction of approximately 3,500 feet of rail track portions to be relocated, replaced and connected to the main line. The Port will construct a 150-foot building for Ryan Industries' expanded operation in Washington State. Ryan Industries repairs rail cars to Federal Railroad Administration and Association of American Railroad standards. The Port owns, maintains and operates 85 miles of railroad and does business as the Pend Oreille Valley Railroad (POVA). Ryan Industries is a good fit with the basic functions of the Port, and with CERB's help in financing the rail improvements, the company's expansion will diversify the local economy from dependence on timber harvest and paper manufacturing. Ryan Industries estimates 21 full-time jobs will be created and 9 full-time jobs will be retained.

GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY

Grays Harbor County received conditional approval of a \$700,000 general obligation loan and a \$300,000 grant to construct 6,600 feet of rail spur and ballast on public right-of-way owned by Grays Harbor County that will connect directly to the Puget Sound and Pacific Railroad (PSAP) mainline. The spur line will bring Sierra Pacific Industries, a modern, state-of-the-art mill to the county and is one step towards re-establishing local job growth in timber, still the dominant economic base of the county. Sierra Pacific Industries estimates 150 full-time jobs will be created upon attaining rail access.

PORT OF GARFIELD

The Port of Garfield, in Garfield County, received conditional approval of a \$20,000 general obligation loan and a \$80,000 grant to assist in the construction of a new access road from Highway 12 and a new bridge to cross Pataha Creek, on port property. The new access road will provide safe and adequate access for trucks, by-passing the current route on residential streets. This is the only industrial site in Garfield County and is the sole potential location to help diversify the county's economic base from its dependency upon agriculture. The Port of Garfield estimates 38 full-time jobs will be created by future business developments as a result of the new access road and bridge linking the Port to Highway 12.

PORT OF QUINCY

The Port of Quincy, in Grant County, received conditional approval of a \$125,000 general obligation loan and a \$375,000 grant. CERB funds will assist in the construction of a rail switch, approximately 1,000 feet of track and modifications to an existing intersection signal. The improvements will connect the Burlington Northern Santa Fe mainline to a 2,500 foot double track loop around the interior of the port's 320-acre Intermodal Industrial Park. The site is surrounded by a local road system that is maintained by the City of Quincy and Grant County. The new entrance to the site will be serviced in the future by the City of Quincy, with plans to upgrade the entry road to an all-weather road for truck traffic. While there are no businesses currently linked to this project, the Port is in negotiations with two significant businesses at this time. 120 full-time jobs are estimated to be created from future business

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Three CERB Board members, Jeff Matson, Port Official, Joe Pinzone, Representative of a Large Business West of the Cascades, and Judith Boekholder, City of Toppenish City Official, and CERB Chair, have all been re-appointed by Governor Locke to serve additional three-year terms.

Six-year CERB member, Earl Davenport will retire from the Board after the November 15, 2001 meeting. Board members will elect a Vice-Chair at the January 17, 2002 meeting.

During his tenure on the Board, Earl served as the CERB Representative for a Large Business East of the Cascades. He lives in Colville, Washington and works for Vaagan Brothers Lumber. Earl's dedication to Washington State and his wonderful sense of humor will be missed by the CERB Board and staff. We wish him well in all his future endeavors.

CERB BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF NOV.

GOVERNOR APPOINTED

Judith Boekholder, Board Chair
Toppenish, Washington
City Official

*Earl Davenport, Board Vice-Chair
*New Vice-Chair will be voted on for January 2002 meeting.

LeRoy Allison
Warden, Washington
County Official

Steven Evans
Walla Walla, Washington
Small Business Representative

Elisabeth Harper
Mount Vernon, Washington
Small Business Representative

Jack Pittis
Port Angeles, Washington
Public Representative

Joe Pinzone
Camas, Washington
Large Business Representative

Jeffrey Matson
Sunnyside, Washington
Port Official

Tom Trulove
Cheney, Washington
Public Sector Economist

Leroy Williams
Bremerton, Washington
Small Business Representative

Miland Walling
Bickleton, Washington
Small Business Representative

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Joint Legislative Committee on
Economic Development

Senator Tim Sheldon
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Telecommunications Committee

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House Trade & Economic
Development Committee

Representative Velma Veloria
House Trade & Economic
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Tina Cohen
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Community Economic
Assistance Center

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Dick Larman, Managing Director
Project Development Services

Brent Bahrenburg
Project Development

Terry Lawhead
Project Development



**The CERB Board
wishes you all
Happy Holidays!!**

CERB is a state economic development resource strategically focused to help business and industry create and retain jobs in partnership with local communities.

CERB provides financing for construction of public facilities that support private sector development and increased employment opportunities.

Management support is provided by the Office of Trade & Economic Development that works to enhance and promote sustainable economic vitality.



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Communities with potential projects are encouraged to contact CERB staff at 360.725.4058 or by e-mail to: KateR@cted.wa.gov